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Sir:

The Examiner's attention is directed to the reference that is listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08A and copy of which is attached. Citation of this reference is respectfully requested.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(c) and (e)(1), the undersigned hereby certifies that the item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a Supplementary Search Report from the European Patent Office dated February 26, 2002 (copy enclosed), which is not more than three months prior to the filing hereof.

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